
Will Sink Ten New Oil Wells In Fort McMurray District for Companies Holding Oil Leases

James D. Tait, President of Spokane-Athabasca Oil Co., Ltd., Leaves on Friday Morning For North—Number of Edmonton Men Are Interested in the Enterprise.

James D. Tait, president of the Spokane-Athabasca Oil Co., Ltd., with offices in the Tegler block, leaves Friday morning for the Fort McMurray oil fields, where he will superintend the sinking of some ten or more wells during the season, both for his own

company, the Spokane-Athabasca, the Northland Oil Syndicate, the Tekoe-Athabasca Company, and several private individuals and other syndicates holding oil leases in that district.

and Weyburn is interested in the Spokane-Athabasca Oil Co., Ltd., and besides Mr. Tait it includes among its directors, W. L. Andre, Spokane, secretary of the company; A. R. Sweet, Spokane; Chas. F. Cowan, Spokane, and Frank H. McGee of Spokane.

There are also several Edmonton men interested in the company, which holds about 5,000 acres, fifty miles or so on the river below Fort McMurray. The Northland Oil Syndicate is composed of local business men, who

After personal inspection of the fields by one of their principal shareholders, has given Mr. Tait the contract for sinking two wells for them. Their property is in the same district as that of the Spokane-Athabasca Company, and these owners are also interested in the properties, a distance of about 47 miles. The outfit which Mr. Tait will take in on Friday consists of eight men, three of these he will take from Edmonton and the rest he will get at

They have also sink 3,000 acres. The Tekoe-Athabasca company, also a local company, holds about 4,000 acres and plans to sink two or more wells, for which Mr. Tait has also taken the contract for development and drilling. The first drilling will be

the Spokane-Atiabasca property, which intends to sink about five wells during the season. The Northland Oil

Mr. Tait has been working in these

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FIETY PER CENT **SAYS MATCH CAUSED**

ALBANY BLOCK FIRE

The inspector from the electric light and power department, W. J. Murphy, reports that the fire at the

ALBERTA SOWN

**Helped Greatly Says Hon.
Mr. Marshall**

The South Side Football Club will hold its usual practice Friday evening at 7:15. Everyone is asked to turn out.

Mr. Marshall returned Thursday morning from his farm at Olds and reports that there was from three to five inches of snow covering the ground there. He thinks the snow and

rain fairly general over the South and the moisture came none too soon. As it was, it came a little late to help the timothy, thinks Mr. Marshall, which as a result may be a light crop this year. The other crops, however, will

have all the benefit. Speaking of the frost Wednesday night he feels that in the south country, the snow will fairly well protect the grains that are up. It might set back the oats a little but most of them are not up yet.

CITY BAKERIES
IN GOOD STATE

Condition of Dairies Satisfactory
—Milk Samples Are up to
Standard

There were eleven illegitimate births registered in the city during March, states the report of the health officer. The total births was 152, and there were 152 marriages and the same number of deaths. Of the deaths

were under one year of age. Seven of the deaths were due to tuberculosis, and 14 from pneumonia. Two cases of smallpox were treated, the disease having been contracted at Wainwright, and being, as usual, unvaccinated adults. The average of frank

Served with any of above dishes,
one order of Potatoes or other
Vegetables
(Choice of)
Apple Pie, Raisin Pie, Stewed
Prunes or Rhubarb, Flavored

vidence that the disease was caused by drinking water or milk. The total number of cases of communicable disease reported was 302, of which 291 were city cases and 11 from outside sources.

The chief food inspector reported at the state of the bakeries, meat markets, etc., had been satisfactory during the month. Some 2,625 lbs of food stuffs had been condemned as unfit for consumption.

Teles. Inspector Betek reported that

Dairy Inspector Frank Repolster and
 had inspected 94 local dairies and
 and nearly all of them in a fairly
 satisfactory condition.
 This spring there had been fewer
 cases of abortion than usual, and
 had found very little trouble in this

"Samples of milk bought on the street showed the usual lowering of butter fat at this time of the year, but all were found up to the legal standard," says the report of the milk inspectors, H. C. George, Exotic three

	(Choice of)
Apple Pie, Raisin Pie, Stewed Prunes or Rhubarb, Milk Pudding	(Choice of)
Tea	Coffee

Inspector, H. C. Graham. Forty-three
 emises dealing with milk were in-
 fected and things, on the whole,
 und pretty satisfactory.

(Choice of)
Soup or Relishes
(Choice of)
Fried Whitefish, Tomato Sauce
Fish Cakes, Cream Sauce
Baked Fillet of Salmon

GET THE

'S HOME

DAY

MAY 18th

Tea _____ Coffee _____

Hudson's Bay

Company

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gends, and could arrange the

time and details of the campaign
to finish the job at their discre-

tion.

A **Story of Proceedings.**

Canadian papers which are more

concerned to preserve pleasant

dreams than to unearth unpleasant

facts, the "triumph" of Lloyd

George achieved when he per-

suaded the members of the British

House of Commons that they

should not vote out his Govern-

ment without knowing the whole

truth about the Maurice charges.

What the House of Commons

did, and all that it did, was to

give the Lloyd George Government

the right to be considered guiltless

until proven guilty, and to order

it to find out whether it

is guilty or not. If and when that

trial finds that the facts do not

substantiate the Maurice charges,

Lloyd George and the British Em-

pire will be due for congratula-

tion on the disproof of allegations

implying intolerable inefficiency.

If the tribunal does not find

that the House of Commons will

be voted out of office by the

House of Commons which refused

to consider it, it will be a

triumph for the British tradition

that even a Government should be

convinced of its guilt.

Food and Treason.

Food Controller Thompson says

it is little short of treason to

ignore the object and spirit of the

food regulations, how much less

"short of treason" is it to frame

food regulations which subvert

the "object" of saving food for the

"spirit" of private greed?

It is for this reason that wheat,

beef and pork instead of sub-

stitute foods, how much is it

praiseworthy for a food control-

ler to allow profiteers to boost

the prices of substitute foods to

such heights that the public, as

discouraged, or even prevented,

from eating them?

If it is something resembling

treason to make a trap of meat

at the kitchen table, how much

more does it resemble treason to

allow cold storage companies to

hoard foodstuffs, and to make

avoidable "accidents" and send

it to the incinerator?

The food control department has

been administered consistently on

the assumption—that the Canadian

people are wealthy enough to eat

what they please, and are wealthy

enough to throw away what they

ought to eat.

The food control runs counter

to the facts that food prices have

reached such an altitude that

people in Canada have to eat

the "cheap" food.

How much nutritive value for the

money; and that adulterations

of foodstuffs are so common that

they are no longer needed by

anyone with sense enough to understand

them.

Canada's Food Controller seems

to be the only man in Canada who

cannot understand that the rela-

tive price of food has to do with

the determination of what and

how much people shall eat than all

the rest of the nation. He controls

the food regulations, but he does

not control the foodstuffs.

It may be that the object of the

Food Controller is to save food, if

so it is his misfortune to have

been misled by the fact that he

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